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AND APPARATUS THEREFOR

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Examiner: Karl J. Puttlitz

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## RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 30, 2003 (Paper No. 7), in the above-identified application, for which a one-month shortened statutory period for response had been set. This response is being timely filed, as a Petition for a one-month extension of time, up to and including December 1, 2003 (November 30, 2003 being a Sunday), including an authorization to charge fees, is being submitted herewith.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration by the Examiner and withdrawal of the Examiner's Requirement for Restriction, in light of the following remarks.